

EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT **CERTIFIED COPY**

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Before The Honorable YVONNE GONZALEZ ROGERS, Judge

SCOTT JOHNSON,)	Motions Hearing
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	NO. C 21-09272 YGR
)	
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California Corporation,)	
)	
Defendant.)	Oakland, California
)	Thursday, June 16, 2022
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BRIAN WHITAKER,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	NO. C 21-09548 YGR
)	
SALAH R. SALAH,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
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ORLANDO GARCIA,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	NO. C 21-09567 YGR
)	
SWEET MOMENT SM,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
-----)	
SCOTT JOHNSON,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	NO. C 21-09163 YGR
)	
SAVVY CELLAR WINES, INC.,)	
a California corporation,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
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ANDRES GOMEZ,)
)
 Plaintiff,)
)
 vs.) NO. C 22-00471 YGR
)
 ELEGANCE PROPERTIES, LLC,)
 a Delaware Limited)
 Liability Company, dba)
 Eleven Eleven Winery,)
)
 Defendant.)
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REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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1 **MR. PRICE:** Yes, Your Honor.

2 **THE COURT:** -- not damages.

3 **MR. PRICE:** Yes, Your Honor. We can't split them
4 with our clients.

5 **THE COURT:** So your clients would get the relief they
6 seek but no monetary settlement.

7 **MR. PRICE:** Yes, Your Honor, which means they
8 functionally can't continue to be a plaintiff because being a
9 plaintiff requires them to effectively be on call at a
10 moment's notice. They're frequently having to go to
11 mediations, they're attending site inspections, they're
12 getting called into court on, you know, less than a week's
13 notice. It's impossible for them to do the work that they're
14 doing while acting in what's a perception of -- of some, you
15 know, free work.

16 **THE COURT:** So it's a business to file these
17 lawsuits.

18 **MR. PRICE:** I think that sounds pejorative, but it's
19 not inaccurate, I suppose. It's what they're doing. I mean,
20 it's --

21 **THE COURT:** It's their business.

22 **MR. PRICE:** It's how they make money, yes. It's --
23 that's part of what allows them to do the work that they're
24 doing. I'm proud of my work and I wouldn't be able to do it
25 if I wasn't being paid.

1 way this case is going to be decided.

2 **THE COURT:** Okay. Anything else you all want me to
3 consider?

4 **MR. PRICE:** Nothing for the plaintiff, Your Honor.
5 Thank you.

6 **MR. SAHELIAN:** Thank you, Your Honor.

7 **MS. SANIEFAR:** Thank you, Your Honor.

8 **THE COURT:** And, Ms. Kennedy?

9 **MS. KENNEDY:** No, Your Honor. Thank you.

10 **THE COURT:** Okay. Well, once again thank you for
11 coming in. I appreciate it.

12 We'll stand adjourned. Thank you.

13 (Proceedings were concluded at 12:10 P.M.)

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20 hearing was taken, and further that I am not financially nor
21 otherwise interested in the outcome of the action.

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